Remarks

The application being filed herewith is a divisional application of co-pending U.S										
Patent	Application	Serial	No.	09/992,245,	filed	November	14,	2001	("the	Paren
Application").			•							

Amendments to the specification

The specification filed herewith is to be amended as set forth above. Specifically, a "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section has been added at page 1 to assert the continuation status of the application, as set forth above.

No new matter has been added to the specification.

Amendments to the claims

Claims 1-5 and 15-25 have been cancelled. Now new matter has been added to remaining claims 6-14.

Previous Restriction/Election

In the Parent Application, in an Office action dated February 21, 2003, the Examiner identified three separate species in the Parent application, corresponding to (1) claims 1-5 and 15-19; (2) claims 6-14; and (3) claims 20-25. The Applicant now wishes to pursue the claims directed towards the second species, corresponding to claims 6-14.

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Summary

The Applicant hereby requests timely and favorable consideration of claims 6-14. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the below-signed representative if the Examiner believes this will facilitate prosecution toward allowance of the claims.

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